

## Woodward & Lothrop

New York-WASHINGTON-Paris

We Announce for Week Beginning Monday, February 23d

## The Formal Opening of Our Newly Added Building The Celebration of Our 23d Business Anniversary And Our Spring Opening in All Departments

Twenty-three years ago. we welcomed the Washington public to our inaugural opening. Our entire establishment then did not cover an area equaled by many of our now immense departments, which are veritable stores in themselves.

It was a modest beginning, built upon honest business methods, the fundamental principles of which were, and still are: honest merchandise, honest advertising, one price and cheerful reimbursement. But twenty-three years have added nothing to our fundamental principles; there was nothing to add.

They have been for us twenty-three years of pleasurable merchandising, and we have tried to make them for you twenty-three years of both pleasurable and advantageous shopping. That we have succeeded in doing so is not alone because of our vigilance; your appreciation of our every business betterment always spurred us onward to greater doings.

From a meager few hundred square feet of selling space to eight acres.

From less than a half hundred employes to ten hundred. From America to the commercial marts of the old world.

These are a few evolutions of this vast business.

And the end is not yet.

We shall signalize our twenty-third anniversary by the

## Formal Opening of The Enlarged Woodward & Lothrop Store

It is without counterpart in this city, being the largest building devoted exclusively to retail business. But that is because it needed to be the largest.



In connection with the formal opening of our new building, and our anniversary, we shall open our incomparable stock of

## New Spring Merchandise

Embracing materials brought from every quarter of the world. Silks: Velvets and Dress Stuffs of the richest sorts, Paris and London Millian nery, French Lingerie and Corsets, Splendid Dresses, Elegant Wraps Clothes for the Newly-born, Rare Laces, Dainty Neckfixings, Fansis Gloves, Handkerchiefs, and other sumptuous articles of luxurious adornment, Rich Drapery and Upholstery Fabrics, Imported Table Napery, Vessels of Cut Crystal, Silver and China, wrought into every artistic form of vase and dish and ornament. In short, tempting stores of everything to give relish to the new season.

For this, the store's birthday, the formal opening of our new building and our spring opening, we have made unusual efforts, and there are unusual things to see as well as to buy.

The celebration will last all the week and we cordially invite the public to be our guests.

Woodward & Lothrop.

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Proposed Revocation of Rhode Island Avenue Assessments.

### EXTENSION BENEFITS

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scribed, Now Before Congress, Preferred to New Legislation.

tions of that law and to provide for new as nents to be made by the board of equalsation and review of the District of Co-

The act under which the avenue was extended provided that one-half of the unts awarded by the jury as damages ould be assessed as benefits on property within a prescribed area, and it is the in-tention of the present bill that this assess-ment shall be nullified and new assessments levied "so that such assessments shall not exceed such actual benefits." The bill proexceed such actual benefits. The bill you vides that each case of appeal from the assessments levied shall be begun by written petition to be filed in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia by any person interested, and when so filed the court i firected to refer the petition to the board of equalization and review; this board is directed to hear evidence and revise, equalize fix and adjust the assessments and to transmit its report first to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia for approval and

"The act of February 10, 1800," say th ers, "providing for the extenwas not referred to the provided for the condemnation of the land under the Revised Statutes of the United but not providing for any assessments for benefits except as such benefits might be deducted from the damages awarded under the provisions of said statutes, was referred to the Commissioners and received a favorproperty owners in that vicinity were very desirous of having the avenue opened, as is shown by communications from them to the Commissioners. Among others is one from Mr. Thomas G. Hensey.

"The act of February 10, 1890, stated that the condemnation proceedings should be under sections 257 to 267 of the Revised Statutes of the United States relating to the from the revenues of the District of Co-mbia, and that one-half of the amount and due and awarded as damages should assessed by a jury provided for in the law, 'against those pieces or parcels of Miss Laura Goss, Miss Ida Wright, Mr. ground situate and lying on each side of Claude Allison, Miss Paney Luchter, Mr. er of block 9 in the subdivision known and designated as Bloomingdale; and also against so much of that tract of land known and designated as the David Moore tract as lies west of North Capitol street. of land by the owners of property with frawn from assessment. A blue print is

### When the Award Was Made.

The damages awarded amounted to \$96,617, and the benefits assessed amounted to \$48,308.50, being onehalf of the amount of the damages. Exceptions were filed on the part of property owners to the finding of the jury, which exceptions were, however, overruled by the irt. In the meantime the act was a ed by Congress so as to provide that no appeals from the decision of the court con-firming the assessments should delay the it of awards; this act was approved

"A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 174) to cancel the assessments was referred to the Commissioners and they reported on the same May 13, 1902, as follows: "The assessments for benefits which it is proposed by this resolution to cancel, were those made in connection with the extension of Rhode Island avenue, which extension of Rhode Island avenue, which was condemned about three years ago and the awards of damages for which were paid about two years ago. By the provisions of the law under which the avenue was extended the assessments were required to equal one-half of the damages as awarded by the jury; the assessable territory was also limited in the act. The award of damages and assessment of benefits were made by a jury of citizens of fits were made by a jury of citizens of the District of Columbia and the Commissioners believe that both the award and the assessment were just; they further believe that the jury is a better judge of such matters than the Commissioners ves. If the Commissioners were mmend the cancellation of the bene fit assessments in this case they could hardly refuse to recommend it in the nu-merous other cases where streets have been ed and opened, and thus defeat the ons of Congress as expressed in said intentions of Congress as expressed in said acts. The proceedings in all street extension cases were carried on under the direction of the court and if any injustice was done in any particular case the party had his right of appeal the same as in any other judicial proceeding. Further, a great many of the assessments in this particular case have been paid and to cancel the unpaid ones would be unjust to those who have paid their assessments. The Commissioners would strongly urge Commissioners would strongly urge the resolution receive an adverse re-

ments in cases where damages and as-sesment were awarded to the same par-ties, is as follows, the first figures being the award, the second the assessment and the third the amount of assessments paid: Ina E. Merrill, \$2,500, \$191, \$76.40; Nora Edgar, \$5,000, \$41, \$16.40; McClelland heirs, \$30,820, \$10,915, \$10,912; Hensey & Raiston, \$3,002, \$4,665, none; Hensey and Hooker, \$24,501, \$11,458, none; Busey and Hensey, \$15,704, \$2,722, none.

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awarded by the jury for land taken was liberal, for, while the owners of property stated that the land had a greater value, lots in the vicinity have been sold for

### The Summing Up.

for benefits should equal one-half of the awards for damages and should be restricted to a certain assessment area has been inserted by Congress in a large number of street extension laws, and has been upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States. The jury was of men specially selected by the marshal as experts, and their finding was approved by the court.

"Second. The price paid for the land was liberal, and there is no evidence of injustice.

"Third. The awards of damages have all been accepted by the purties and nearly half of the assessments have been paid, the objection to paying assessmeits coming apparently from certain owners of land where the assessment was large, but in each case these owners have been paid more, and usually several times more, in damages.

"Fourth. The bill, if passed, would be a discrimination against those parties who have paid their assessments.

"Fifth. If this case is reopened there could be reason for reopening a number of cases of street extensions authorized under similar laws.

"Sixth. The provision in the bill for ref-erence of the assessments for benefits to the board of equalization and review is un-desirable, for, while the board is undoubt-edly qualified to determine values, it is ap-pointed by the Commissioners and would be open to the objection of partiality, when be open to the objection of partiality, when all such laws provide that the jury in such cases shall be disinterested persons.

"It might be mentioned also that an item for the improvement of this portion of the avenue was included by the Commissioners in their estimates to Congress and was inserted in the District appropriation bill for the ensuing fiscal year. If it becomes a law it will doubtless benefit greatly and at once all preparty in the vicinity. all property in the vicinity.

## that this bill be not passed."

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return here and be at home to their friends after March 25 at the Gladstone. Mrs. and Miss Bates of 1211 Rhode Island

The ambassador from Austria-Hungary entertained at dinner last evening in honor of the British ambassador and Lady Herbert. The other guests were the Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne, the Secretary of the Navy, the assistant secretary of state, Senator and Mrs. Depew, Senator and Mrs. Fairbanks, Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Mott of New York, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Chapin, Mms. Perez, Mrs. Slater, Representative Edward Morrell, the Baroness von Palm, Miss Patten and Count Hoyos, the last addition to the embassy staff.

Senator and Mrs. Foraker gave a dinner last night, when their guests included Jus-tice and Mrs. Peckham, Justice and Mrs. Holmes, the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Shaw, Senator Frye, Senator and Mrs. Aldrich, Senator Kean, Senator Bacon, Senator Beveridge, Mrs. Hobart, Captain

The Unique Social Club has issued invitations for a dance Monday night, February 23, at Concordia Hall.

and Mrs. Clarkson of No. 544 Bates street for their tin anniversary, February 20. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Clarkson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Preston, W. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Pumphrey Mrs. Goss and Mrs. Charles E. Perkins.

Miss Attella F. Cooper, who has been spending the past two weeks with her cousin, Mrs. Singleton L. Cooper of 701 22d street northwest, left today for her home in Stafford county, Va.

Mrs. J. T. French, jr., will be at home formally today for the last time this sea-

Mrs. Charles L. DuBois and Mrs. Frank Minetree Johnson will be glad to see their friends informally Monday, February 23, at

Mrs. Arthur Copeland will not be at home

A birthday party was given in honor of Mr. Edmund A. Reith at his residence, No. 911 O street, Wednesday evening. The rooms were tastefully decorated, and the guests were entertained with various games, vocal selections and dancing. A number of musical selections and dancing. A number of musical selections were rendered during the evening by Prof. E. Kremb and Mr. E. Glick. The two first prizes in the donkey game were carried off by Miss F. Schumacher and Mr. T. Fraser, while the two booby prizes were won by Miss L. Foley and Prof. J. Franklin. A bountiful repast was served. Among those present were the Misses Appleby, E. Dulia, A. Reagan, K. Stewart, F. Schumacher, W. Stoppell, L. Foley, A. Neuback, M. Steadman, M. Williams, and Messrs. E. A. Reith, H. W. Maedel, Prof. J. Franklin. W. E. Norris, T. Diggs, T. Fraser, G. Thomas, H. W. White, D. T. Perry, J. O'Connor, E. Glick and Prof. E. Kremb.

Mrs. George B. Cortelyou will receive Monday, the 23d instant...

The wife of Lyman S. Alger, who was seriously burned January 27, has recovered and is able to go out.

### DANCES AT CARNIVAL BALL.

Miss Roosevelt Guest at Many Enter-

tainments at New Orleans. german, was danced in the Atheneum, which Miss Alice Roosevelt danced with John Mc-Ilhenny. Miss Edith Root did not dance, but looked on. Miss Stevenson, daughter of Adlat E. Stevenson, was one of those who danced. There were about one hundred

Miss Roosevelt was entertained at lunch eon today by Mrs. Pearl Wright. This luncheon was a most elaborate affair.

Friends of Miss Roosevelt hoped when she visited New Orleans that the usual rumor of her engagement would be omitted. It seems to have been oustomary in the past, whenever she visited any city, for the outside press to announce her engagement to some man who has been attentive to her.

leans cotton exchange with Col. A. K. Mc-Clure. The admiral was enthusiastically re-ceived. He made a graceful address. Ad-miral Schley and Col. McClure made ad-Water to Be Turned Into Canal.

We Announce to the Washington People The Greatest Holiday 3½=Hour Sale 3½=Hour Sale 3½-Hour Sale

Monday Monday Monday Feb. 23, Feb. 23, Feb. 23, 9:30 to 1 9:30 to 1 9:30 to 1

Marred, Scratched, Damaged and Odds and Ends of Furniture, Lace Curtains and Carpets

which have accumulated during the past four months. You may find something in following list:

\$18 Gilt Chair, velvet seat.......\$ \$22 Mahogany Arm Chair, tap Chairs, pantasote seats. Seat A large number of Oak, Maple, Walnut and Mahogany Chairs, in some cases three or four of a pattern, at

half price or less. \$8 Flemish Oak Rocker for ....\$4.50 \$6 Bird's-eye Maple Desk Chair.\$2.50 \$50 large Upholstered Easy Chair.\$20 \$13.50 Oak Morris Chair. \$6.50 Morris Chairs, with cus

\$30 Mahogany Parlor Cabinet....\$18 \$13 Oak Hall Rack.......\$0.80 \$25 3-piece Parlor Suite......\$13.7 \$35 Inlaid Mahogany Sofa, covered

\$25 Tufted Oak Couch.

pairs \$4 Nottingham Lace Cur-0 pairs \$6 and \$7 Irish Point Lace 14 pairs \$3.50 Nottingham Lace

pairs \$5 French Tapestry pairs \$5 Bagdad Stripe

# Inter-Ocean Building, 512 9th St.

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Commissioners Report Progress in Col-

lecting Coffee Fund. the fund amounted to \$137. The Commis sioners feel sure that the fund will soon reach the \$300 or \$400 mark, which would be sufficient to last for some time to come. The object of the fund, to provide coffee and food to the firemen at serious conflagrations during bitterly cold weather, has struck a responsive chord in the hearts of the citizens, and the subscribers so far have been most enthusiastic in expressing their approval of the plan.

A complete list of the subscriptions celved is as follows: Harry Norment, \$25; Mrs. Norment, \$25; Bradbury Piano Company, \$25; Chery & Moran Company, \$10; R. B. Donaldson, \$10; Charles G. Thorn, \$10; Claudius B. Jewell, \$5; Mrs. Sarah C. Hughes, \$5; Longon E. Fitch St. Februard S. Schmid, \$5; Jeweil, \$5; Mrs. Sarah C. Hughes, \$5; James E. Fitch, \$5; Edward S. Schmid, \$5; Admiral James A. Greer, \$5; Henry J. Goodman, \$5; S. V. K., \$1, and I. M., \$1.

Commending Policemen. Major Sylvester has forwarded to the who, with Private Pratt of hea arrested James Gray on suspicion of havsays for some weeks the department was annoyed by a number of larceny cases wherein the amounts stolen were small, yet this did not relieve the citizens of annoyance, and it was after diligent and intelligent work that the offender was apprehended and a portion of the property recovered. The major concludes that the action of the officers is worthy of favorable notices.

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